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SUBJECT: THIRD SUMED CONTRACT REPORTED SIGNED WITH BELGIUM

1 CAIRO PRESS REPORTED MARCH 15 THAT THIRD CONTRACT FOR SUMED PIPELINE THOUGHPUT HAD BEEN SIGNED WITH PETROFINA PETROLEUM COMPANY, DESCRIBED AS BELGIAN ENTITY. PETROFINA WILL SHIP BETWEEN THREE AND FIVE MILLION TONS UNCLASSIFIED

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OF CRUDE PETROLEUM THROUGH THE SUMED LINE, WHICH CONNECTS GULF OF SUEZ WITH MEDITERRANEAN, DURING FIRST YEAR OF THE AGREEMENT. PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS CALL FOR REVIEW OF THE CONTRACT AFTER FIRST YEAR IN ORDER TO DETERMINE FUTURE THROUGHPUT LEVELS.

2. AGREEMENTS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ANNOUNCED WITH ESSO

AND MOBIL OIL FOR FIVE TO SEVEN TONS EACH DURING FIRST YEAR. THIS BRINGS COMMITTMENTS TO THIRTEEN TO NINETEEN MILLION TONS, TOTAL FIRST YEAR CAPACITY WILL BE ABOUT 80 MILLION TONS. BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISORS HAVE TOLD US THAT SUMED LINE GRADUALLY BECOMING FULLY OPERATIONAL. ONCE THAT POINT IS REACHED, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH OTHER USERS SHOULD COME TO CONCLUSION MORE QUICKLY. MATTHEWS

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